

REMARKS

Re-examination and allowance of the present application is respectfully requested.

Applicants thank the Examiner for meeting with their representatives on December 6, 2005 to discuss the present application.

During the course of the interview, Applicants argued that the claims in the application are distinguishable over U.S. Patent 6,647,432 to AHMED et al. (hereinafter AHMED). In particular, Applicants' representatives argued that the instant invention has the first and second applications stored in a single digital broadcasting receiver, and that the first application determining information and the second information determining information are registered in the same digital broadcasting receiver. As a result, the present invention does not require event information to be sent to a server that is external to the digital broadcasting receiver.

On the other hand, Applicants' representatives pointed out that AHMED teaches that when an event of interest is found, information is sent to an ITC server. It was further discussed that the ITC server of AHMED broadcasts to applications 2, 3, ... located in other workstations. In this regard, it was noted that a first application is associated with a first work station, while a second application is associated with a second work station, and that each work station and the ITC server are different from each other.

Based on the discussion during the interview, it was agreed that the claims filed on September 16, 2005 would be clarified to indicate that the first application and the second application are stored in the digital broadcasting receiver. The Examiner acknowledged (as indicated on the

Interview Summary presented at the conclusion of the interview), that such amendment over-comes the double-patenting rejection set forth in the final Office Action. The Examiner further acknowledged (see the above-noted Interview Summary) that such claims are distinguishable over the applied art of record.

By the present amendment, Applicants amend independent claims 10, 13 and 16 to clarify that the first and second applications are stored in the digital broadcasting receiver. Applicants also amend claims 17 and 18 to correct an obvious error in each claim, to ensure a proper antecedent basis with respect to independent claim 16. Applicants submit that such amendment to the claims over-come the provisional statutory double-patenting rejection, and respectfully request withdrawal of this ground of rejection. Further, Applicants submit that the claims are patentably distinct from the applied art of record, and thus, respectfully request withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. §102(e) rejection.

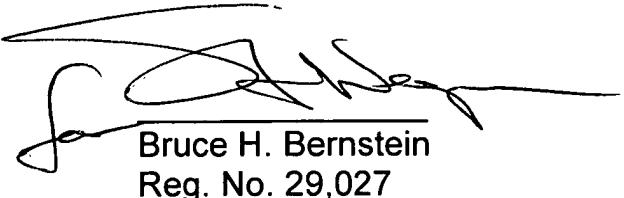
SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

In view of the fact that none of the art of record, whether considered alone or in combination, discloses or suggests the present invention as now defined by the pending claims, and in further view of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the Examiner's action and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested and are believed to be appropriate.

Should an extension of time be necessary to maintain the pendency of this application, including any extensions of time required to place the application in condition for allowance by an Examiner's Amendment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

If there should be any questions concerning this application, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully Submitted,
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